

CERRITOS -- Cerritos residents Lauren Poblete, Earth Shah, and Danny Fierro have been selected as summer interns in Congresswoman Linda Sánchez' Lakewood district office. Lauren, Earth, and Danny are three of six local interns accepted to intern in the district office, and will take part in the 10-week internship program offered to outstanding high school and college students.

While most governmental internships are unpaid, the Congresswoman has allotted \$2,000 from her office budget for one full-time internship position in effort to promote student involvement in public service. Lauren Poblete, a Cerritos High School graduating senior, was selected for this paid internship position due to her academic excellence and interest in public policy. Lauren will attend UCLA in the fall and is using her internship stipend toward her college tuition. Lauren served as National Honors Society President, and was awarded Most Inspirational Player and MVP of her school Track and Basketball teams. Lauren has also volunteered at St. Maria Goretti Church and at the Los Angeles District Attorney's office.

Earth Shah is currently an Honors student at UC-Riverside double majoring in Political Science and Business Administration. He volunteers with UC-Riverside's Student Organizing for Advising Peers Program and contributes to the school publication, The Innollect. He held numerous leadership positions at Gahr High School, including National Honor Society Treasurer and Model United Nations Secretary General.

Danny Fierro is entering his senior year at Whitney High School and is highly involved in academics and extracurricular activities. He is an ABC Unified Distinguished Honor Program student, a section leader for the WHS marching band and the Director of Cultural Affairs for WHS' Associated Student Body. His bilingualism in Spanish along with his ingenuity and tireless efforts on casework make Danny a true asset to the Congresswoman's district team.

Cerritos resident Jason Amansec has been selected as one of four Congressional interns to work in Congresswoman Linda Sánchez' Washington, DC office. Jason is a fourth year student at University of California Irvine and is in Washington this summer for a ten week internship program sponsored through UC-Irvine's UC in DC program. Jason was selected to intern in Sánchez' Washington office because of his interest in Political Science and International Relations theory. He may consider running for local political office sometime in the future. During the school year, he works at the UC-Irvine Library and Computer Lab and is an active member of Saint Peter Chanel Catholic Church in Hawaiian Gardens. He is the son of Frank and Delia Amansec.

La Mirada resident Anthony Duran has been selected as one of six interns in Congresswoman Linda Sánchez' Lakewood district office. Anthony is one of six local interns accepted to intern in the district, and will take part in the 10-week internship program offered to outstanding high school and college students.

Anthony, a La Mirada High School graduating senior, was selected for this internship position due to his academic excellence and interest in public policy. Anthony served as ASB President, Yearbook Editor-in-Chief, and Youth-in-Government City Manager. He has also volunteered his time raising money for tsunami victims, serving as the Executive Coordinator of the Tsunami

Victim Benefit Concert. Anthony's extensive volunteer work coupled with his student activism on campus makes him an exceptional candidate for the position.

Whittier resident Rudy Lobos has been selected as one of six interns in Congresswoman Linda Sánchez' Lakewood district office. Rudy is one of six local interns accepted to intern in the district, and will take part in the 10-week internship program offered to outstanding high school and college students.

Rudy, a recent Cal State Fullerton graduate, was selected for this internship position due to his academic excellence coupled with his identification with the Congresswoman as a strong role model for Latino youth. Rudy serves as an academic tutor at Pioneer High School in Whittier, where he too can hone his skills enriching the lives of young people. Rudy's parents fled the civil war in El Salvador to come to the United States. His keen interest in public policy along with his bilingualism in Spanish makes Rudy a true asset to the Congresswoman's district team.

Lynwood resident Gloria Hernandez has been selected as an intern in Congresswoman Linda Sánchez' Lakewood district office. Gloria is one of five local interns accepted to intern in the district, and will take part in the 10-week internship program offered to outstanding high school and college students.

Gloria, a Cal State Los Angeles graduate, was selected for this internship position due to her academic excellence and keen interest in public policy. Gloria comes from an immigrant household and closely identifies with the Congresswoman as a strong role model for Latino youth. Gloria is a South Gate High School graduate and is currently earning her MA in Political Science. Her bilingualism in Spanish coupled with her vast scope of politics makes Gloria a true asset to the Congresswoman's district team.

Whittier resident Mike Cahill has been selected as one of four Congressional interns to work in Congresswoman Linda Sánchez' Washington, DC office for a ten week internship this summer.

Mike will be a sophomore at Whittier College majoring in Political Science and graduated from South Pasadena High School. Mike was selected to intern in Sánchez' Washington office because of his interest in Political Science and politics and his desire to see "how Capitol Hill really works."

"My office could not function without the help of such sharp and eager interns," said Congresswoman Sánchez. "I am pleased to provide them with the opportunity to see Congress from an insider's perspective and I hope that their experience in my office will inspire them to pursue careers in public service," added the Sánchez.

Congresswoman Sánchez's district office internship program allows selected students to manage independent projects in casework, public relations, grant development, office management, and foreign language translation. The summer program begins in late June and runs through August.